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PATENT APPLICATION
SERIAL NO 09/676,380
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 99-057

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of :
Applicant: Baron et al. : SOLUBLE EPIDERMAL GROWTH
Serial No. 09/676,380 : FACTOR RECEPTOR-LIKE
Filed: 09/29/2000 : PROTEINS AND THEIR USES
IN CANCER DETECTION METHODS

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
December 15, 2006

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on June 19, 2006 and the period set for response was three (3) months, bringing the response due on September 19, 2006.

Therefore, a three-month extension of time will bring the response due on December 19, 2006.

A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. An Amendment to the outstanding Office Action is filed concurrently herewith.

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The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 501317. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501317.

An original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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